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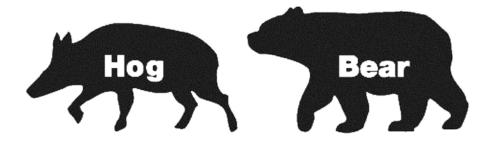


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ATTENTION HUNTERS

Hogs and Bears look alike

Know Your Target!



It is a violation of federal & state laws to kill a bear, with fines up to \$100,000, loss of hunting privileges, and / or jail.

Cash rewards offered for information leading to the arrest of anyone killing bears.

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Each year several Louisiana black bears are illegally killed during the hunting season. Since 1992, the Louisiana black bear has been protected because of its threatened status under the Endangered Species Act.

Restoration and conservation efforts of the LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Black Bear Conservation Coalition and many private landowners have led to increasing numbers of black bears.

It is the goal of the LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to have the Louisiana black bear removed from the threatened list and to have a regulated bear hunting season in Louisiana. However, illegal kill of black bears hampers this effort and could delay the day when the Louisiana black bear can become a legal game animal once again.

Hunters are urged to support bear conservation efforts and report illegal kills. This support will aid recovery of the Louisiana black bear and help bring about the day when legal bear hunting will once again occur in Louisiana.